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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF :  
GATHEN GARCIA, ET AL. : EXAMINER: GARCIA-OTERO, E  
SERIAL NO: 09/545,455 :  
FILED: APRIL 7, 2000 : GROUP ART UNIT: 2123  
FOR: UTILITY STATION AUTOMATED :  
DESIGN SYSTEM AND METHOD :

DECLARATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.132

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

The undersigned, Gene Wolf and Gathen Garcia herein declare as follows:

1. We are all employees of Public Service Company of New Mexico and are inventors of the above-identified patent application.
2. Attached hereto is an executed license agreement between Public Service Company of New Mexico and General Electric (Energy), for the use/sale of a software product (which we call 3D-DASL), which is covered by the claims in the above identified patent application. We demonstrated 3D-DASL for Ex. Garcia-Otero during our personal interview on March 31, 2004
3. The success and design of our 3D-DASL product flows directly from the functions and advantages disclosed or inherent in the specification description.
4. We declare further that all statements made herein of our own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so

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5/4/04      Gene Wolf  
Date                      Gene Wolf

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Date                      Garden Garcia



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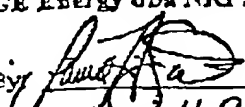
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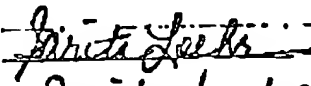
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**Schedule 1**

**Software Schedule**

(to Software License and Support Services Agreement effective April 15, 2004 ("Agreement")  
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**Licensee:** GE Energy dba NRPS Global Projects

**Number of Seats:** One (1)

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